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FIFTH YEAR.

MAYSVILLE, KY., MONDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1896.

ONE CENT.



If you have friends visiting you, or if you are going away on a visit, please drop us a note to that effect.

Mr. J. N. Kehoe has returned from Chicago.

Mr. Joe Evans of Paducah is visiting friends in this city.

Master Nat Cook is visiting relatives in Nicholasville.

Misses Nannie Gabby and Bessie Childs are visiting at Linsburg.

Mr. H. L. Hamilton spent Christmas with friends in Manchester.

Mr. J. K. Scoufe and son Louis are spending the holidays at Richmond.

Miss Lida Owens left this morning for a visit to friends at Richmond.

Miss Lucille Pearce is on a visit to Mrs. Mollie Pearce at Covington.

Miss Anna Stuard of Covington is the guest of Miss Florence Wadsworth.

Master Walter Haldeman Pearce came home from Louisville Saturday evening.

Miss Maude Adair has gone to Cynthiana to visit her cousin, Miss Fannie Conway.

Miss Schuster of Homestake is the guest of Colonel August Schaefer and family.

Miss Ethel Griffith of near Ripley is visiting her friend, Miss Bertha Ort of West Second Street.

Misses Lucy and children of Portumtous are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Davis of Market street.

Mrs. George Bowman and children of Newport have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Smith.

Master Davis Dismann of Cincinnati is spending the holidays with his grandfather, Mr. William Davis of the West End.

Mrs. Ben Bowman and children of Newport, Ky., are spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Greenwood of the West End.

Misses Field Leggett and Julie Carey, both New York young ladies of Ripley, spent Christmas in this city with Miss Cora Lowry.

If you have an item of news, please call up THE LEDGER, Telephone 33, and send it in.

Telephone No. 200, Chenoweth's Drug store. We deliver goods.

Pearl Smith of Brooklyn enlisted in the Regular Army at Fort Thomas.

Saturday was a very "boozy" day with Judge Wadsworth and Chief of Police Orr. There were about twenty drunks of various sizes on the docket.

The Reception which will be given by Mayville Commandery this evening will be the social event of the whole city. If you have not already secured a ticket do so at once. They are on sale at the Drugstore and by members of the Committee.

Mattie Storey, a seamstress whose age is given as 38 and her name as Emily Clark, is a violent and demented patient at the Criminal Hospital. She thrashes, broke windows, and became so frenzied that she had to be confined in the strong ward.

Diamond Rings, Earrings, Pendants, Sets, Pins, Lockets, Cameos, and other articles present, and having a large stock of them I have made the greatest cut on these goods that has ever been made. Call and see them. P. J. MURPHY, the Jeweler.

The following officers were elected at Hebrew Lodge No. 45, I. O. O. F., Friday night:

N. G.—Mrs. Louise Bender.

V. G.—Miss Alberta Luman.

Secretary—Miss Emma Luman.

Treasurer—W. C. Pelham.

Mr. Harry D. Smith, of the Jeffers Cloth Company, Cincinnati, who is well known in this city, will today wed Miss Maria Louise Miller of New York City. The wedding will occur in Chicago. After an extended Eastern trip Mr. and Mrs. Smith will reside in Newport.

MAYSVILLE WEATHER.

What We May Expect For the Next Twenty-four Hours.

THE LEDGER'S WEATHER SIGNALS.

WEATHER—VALLEY

Blue—Rain or Snow!

With Black Above—Twill Weather grow.

If Black Below—Clouds will be.

Under Blue—Show—no chance we'll be.

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WE'RE FOR AMERICA@AMERICANS!

The total vote cast in the Silver Democratic primary in Franklin county was less than that received by BRIAN; yet the Free-silverites tell us that they're simply going to mop the earth with us Goldbugs in 1900.

The correct thing for the Republicans in Kentucky to do at present is to declare the office of Attorney-General vacant, and then proceed to fill it with a lawyer.—*Carlsbad Mercury*.

Say, friend KELLER, if you mean to fill the place with a lawyer who will send in a feebill for nearly \$40,000 against the state, and who is willing to "settle" for less than \$5,000? Or did you ever hear of a Democratic Attorney General who did that?

In his inaugural address Governor BRADLEY took strong ground against lynchings, and his sentiments on this point were heartily approved by the Kentucky press. According to the latest advises a capital site for a Law and Order Committee would be at Mayfield, where the lynching fever seems to have become epidemic. If the regular Courts down there have been idle lately, there is no possible excuse for their continuance so any longer. The next report of the Graves County Grand Jury should contain some highly interesting reading.

GOVERNOR BRADLEY DENIES.

Frankfort Capital Has No Authority to Speak For Him.

Governor Bradley's attention being called to a publication in The Courier-Journal that the statements of The Frankfort Capital are significant because it is close to him said: "I am not responsible for the utterances of The Capital. The Editor has long since attained his majority and speaks for himself. The Capital is not my personal organ in any sense of the word."

PUGH GOING SLOW.

Wants to Consider Before Voting on the Cuban Matter.

Congressman Samuel J. Pugh is home from Washington City to spend the holidays. Being asked respecting his attitude on the Cuban revolution, he said: "I want time to think before I express myself definitely on the matter. I don't want to fire the gun before I can get it to my shoulder. I deeply sympathize with Cuba in her efforts to throw off the tyrannical yoke, but whether the United States should interpose in her behalf is a matter on which my mind is not fully made up. It is a grave step, fraught with weighty importance, and what is done should not be done with unthinking rashness."

WOULDN'T STAY AWAY!

And He Broke Into the Frankfort Penitentiary Again.

A special from Frankfort says James Brooks, a life convict who was pardoned out of the Penitentiary by Governor Brown about two years ago on condition that he would leave the state, became an inmate of that institution Wednesday.

Brooks went to Frankfort and went to the Executive office, where he sought an interview with Governor Bradley, and asked that he be restored to citizenship in order that he might have the privilege of voting.

The Governor very quietly looked up Brooks's record, and while pretending to write out the paper requested made out a mittimus, which was placed in the hands of Captain Guard Davis, who at once placed Brooks under arrest and returned him to the Penitentiary.

STUDY THESE FIGURES.

AND THEN SAY IF THINGS ARE EQUALLY BALANCED.

The Power of the Minority Much Greater Than That of the Majority—A Change Needed.

Commercial Tribune.

The total popular vote cast at the recent election was 13,815,365, or a gain of no less than 1,705,355 over the 12,110,636 votes cast in 1892.

Of this phenomenal and hitherto unparalleled number of electors, the four pre-eminently great states of New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois and Ohio furnished the following:

	Electoral Vote.
New York	1,000,355
Pennsylvania	522,308
Illinois	322,307
Ohio	262,308
Total	2,000,970

From this table it will be seen that these four states alone cast considerably more than one-third of the total vote of the Nation, and at that ratio they are justly entitled to at least one-third of the total Electoral vote of 447, which would be 149. They have, however, only 115 votes in the Electoral College, or 33 less than the number to which their proportion of the total vote shows them to be entitled. Ohio alone cast 7.4 per cent of the total vote of the country, thus fairly entitling her to the same proportion of the Electoral College, or 33 Electoral votes. Yet she is only allowed 23, which is 10 less than the number her voting strength should give her.

The total vote cast for the Republican ticket was 7,078,461, and to this aggregate the four states here named contributed as follows:

	Electoral Vote.
New York	760,735
Pennsylvania	320,735
Illinois	67,130
Ohio	52,308
Total	1,200,808

From these figures it also is seen that this quartet of leaders among the Commonwealths of the Union gave not only one-third of the total Republican vote of the country, but 891,000 votes in excess of that proportion.

These are the only states which cast over 1,000,000 votes, and of the other states the one which approached the nearest to that figure was Missouri, with 674,018, or 346,090 votes less than were given in Ohio. Nor did any other state than these four cast more than half a million votes for the Republican ticket.

Next to Ohio in the list in that respect come Indiana, with 323,754 Republican ballots, which is less by 302,335 than the 535,099 given by this state.

Coming now to the consideration of some points of interest according to an analysis of the Free-soil Democratic vote, the following table, showing the total vote cast and the Electoral representation of these seventeen states carried by Bryan, will be of exceptional interest:

	Electoral Vote.
Florida	4
Idaho	3
Louisiana	9
Mississippi	9
Montana	9
North Carolina	9
North Dakota	3
Utah	3
Washington	4
Alabama	11
Arkansas	5
Arizona	1
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Georgia	11
Illinois	11
North Carolina	11
Tennessee	12
Total	2,105,368

Here, then, we have seventeen states which give Bryan 119 Electoral votes on a total vote of 2,105,368, though there are New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois and Ohio, with their 4,660,731 ballots, have an Electoral College strength of half 115 votes. Placed in a table for better comparison, the situation is this:

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Similar comparisons could be made by the score, all demonstrating that under the present system such states as Ohio are deprived of the Electoral strength to which they are entitled. For instance, let us consider the following table:

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TERRIBLE.

Disastrous Wreck on the Louisville & Nashville Road.

Twenty-Eight Persons Killed and Ten Injured, Two Fatally.

A Train Goes Through a Bridge 150 Feet High Into the Cahaba River.—A Portion of the Train and the Debris Take Fire.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 28.—One of the most terrible wrecks in the history of southern railroads happened this morning at 7:30 o'clock in which 28 persons were killed outright and 10 others injured, two of whom will die. The ill-fated train was a Louisville and Nashville, which ran from here to Blanton, a distance of 40 miles. The train left here at 6:30 in charge of Engineer Frank White and Conductor A. P. Connell. Four miles north of Blanton the train, made up of an engine, baggage car, and two passenger coaches, crashed through a bridge 150 feet long and 10 feet high into the Cahaba river. A rail had been removed from the track, and when the engine struck it, lost its feet and the bridge gave way and went down with the train. Immediately the wreck took fire, the water being only three feet deep, and before sufficient help could be obtained, the flames devoured the passengers and trainmen, who were pinned under the debris were burned to death in sight of other unfortunate victims of the disaster. Some of the passengers, not so badly hurt, managed to get out and save themselves by assisting others, but with little avail.

The dead are: Frank White, engineer, of Birmingham; G. E. Carney, flagman, Birmingham; A. P. Connell, conductor, Birmingham; J. C. Steiner, colored porter, of Birmingham; Jordon Powell, wife and eight children, of Blanton; Mrs. Henry Hanberry and two children, of Birmingham; James Clegg, express messenger, of Gadsden; W. Martin, Brookwood; Bruce Phillips, Blanton; S. W. Tibbs and wife, Campbelltown; Andrew Bryson, Blanton; Geo. Gien, dale, Helena; and four others unidentified.

The injured are: Ed Echols, slightly injured; Henry Hanbury, ribs broken; Powell, child, feet badly burned; Mrs. Walker, of Blanton, internally, will die; Mrs. Walker's three children, slightly injured; Miss Booth, Blanton, internally, will die; Stan Stewart, arm broken.

The bridge was a ponderous wooden structure with an iron span of 200 feet in the center, and just after the beginning of the work, the wood which had pulled the spikes and removed one of the rails. When the engineer discovered this as was evident from the position of his throttle and reverse lever, he stopped the engine, which was then running at such a rate of speed as to carry down the bridge. Every evidence showed that train-wreckers had been at work.

As soon as news was received here that the bridge was to be blown up, the Louisville and Nashville and Southern railways sent out relief trains loaded with physicians and others, and everything possible was done for those who had been fortunate enough to escape. The number of the dead, which quickly consumed all of the coaches and a part of the bridge. Many of the dead were charred completely beyond recognition. The exact number of the dead is believed to be 28, but it will be known when the investigation is completed.

To cap the climax one of the relief trains which left here ran into the rear end of the wrecking train, which was stopped about 150 feet from the bridge, and ended the knowledge. In the incident the following were injured: Sam Eastis, will die; Wm. Raft, will die; Wood Campbell, leg broken; Charles L. Stone, leg badly hurt; John Kitchensbury, ankle broken.

W. M. SHOWLES, JR., Champion Bareback Circus Rider of the World, Arrested on a Charge of Murder.

New York, Dec. 28.—By the instant he was charged with the killing of his wife, Wm. Showles, Jr., known on three continents as the champion bareback circus rider of the world, Ansel Croft, was shot in the Union hotel, East 11th St., N. Y., on Saturday morning.

The bullet entered the right side of the abdomen, pierced the upper part of the left lobe of the liver, and lodged, it is supposed, in the muscles of the back. Twelve hours after he was shot he was brought to New York and immediately arrested at his home in Long Branch, charged with man-slaughter and locked up in the Monmouth county jail at Freehold.

Kate Field's Remains Cremated.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The body of Kate Field, who died in the San Joaquin last summer, was cremated Sunday and Monday her ashes will be shipped east for interment. The services were in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Hightower, assisted by the Fred club, who were held in the Temple Episcopal church. The Rev. George Walk, the rector, read the埋葬文。

Prof. Nobel's Fortune.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 28.—A semi-official said yesterday that Prof. Alfred Nobel, that is Alfred Nobel, the Swedish engineer and who died at San Remo, Italy, a short time ago, had left his fortune of \$10,000,000 to the Stockholm university.

Death of Librarian Hoffman.

FENSTERWALD, Md., Dec. 28.—Charles W. Hoffman, L.L.D., for 26 years librarian of the supreme court of the United States, died at his home in this city Sunday of pneumonia. Mr. Hoffman was 87 years old and was unmarried.

Governor of French Indo-China.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—Ex-Minister Donmer has been appointed governor of French Indo-China in place of M. Bourges, who died a short time ago at

JOHN M. READ,
The Well Known American Diplomatist,
Dies of Pneumonia, in Paris.

Paris, Dec. 28.—Gen. John M. Read died Sunday morning from pneumonia.

John Merrith Read, the well known American diplomatist, was born in Philadelphia February 27, 1827, he became a member of a number of the diplomatic corps of the United States. He received his education at a military school and at Brown academy, where he received the degree of A. M. in 1850. He was graduated at the Albany medical school in 1852, and immediately began his practice in Europe, was admitted to the bar in Philadelphia, and afterward removed to Albany, N. Y. He was adjutant general of New York 1850-1852 and one of the founders of the "Wide-Awake" political club in 1860. He was then promoted to major in April of the same year of the committee of three to draft a bill in behalf of New York state appropriating money for the repair of arsenals and equipments, and he subsequently received the thanks of the war department for his ability and zeal in organizing, equipping, and preparing troops.

He was then appointed consul general for France and Algeria in 1860-63 and 1870-73 acting consul general for Germany during the Franco-German war.

After the war he was appointed by President Grant as chargé d'affaires ad interim, and was called upon to form and preside over a commission to examine into the desirability of teaching the English language to the French troops.

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